



**KING COUNTY  
MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD  
ALCOHOLISM AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD**

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**LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**Wednesday, December 11, 2002**

**2:00-3:30 PM**

Conference Room 6B, Exchange Building  
821 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave., Seattle, WA 98104

**Meeting Minutes**

**Attending:**

Roger Goodman (Co-Chair/KCASAAB)  
Bob Seidensticker (KCASAAB)

Alice Howell (KCMHAB)  
Frank Jose NAMI – Greater Seattle

**Absent:**

Pam Dietrick (KCASAAB)  
Mindy Meyring (KCMHAB)  
Howard Miller (KCMHAB)  
Linda Brown (KCASAAB)  
Jim Harbaugh (KCASAAB)

Clifford Thurston (KCMHAB)  
Ron Sterling (KCMHAB)  
Bob Shepherd (NAMI-SK)

**Visitors:**

None

**Staff:** Amnon Shoenfeld, Geoff Miller, Sherry Hamilton

**I. Introductions/Announcements**

Absences were noted.

**II. Review and Approval of October 23, 2002 Meeting Minutes**

No Minutes were approved or reviewed as there too few members attending..

**III. 2003 Action Plan – Legislative Advocacy and Outreach**

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- Roger noted for future discussion the need for the two boards to be able to do a “rapid response” to issues, legislation, or op-ed articles. The ASAA Board that discussed this need and policy and procedures to make rapid response operational was in the works.
- Sherry offered after a discussion about publicity to do a Calendar of Important Months for the Committee. The calendar would include Mental Health Month ect. The purpose of the calendar for 2003 is to facilitate the planning of events, publicity that would occur during that month.

**IV. Community Legislative Forum**

The group discussed the Legislative Forum and the comments made by both legislator and attendee.

- Legislative Forum Attendance

Attendance was low due in part to the location and the weather. Next years forum should be in a location on the East Side that is a more recognizable landmark.

- Legislative Forum Program  
The forum presentations were “solid.” However, the legislators and audience both wanted more direct contact This needs to be considered for next year’s forum.
- Legislative Forum for 2003
- Next year’s forum should be combination of client input and information. We should look to the success of the DD forum as a model.
- Next year’s forum will be held on the east side (Bellevue)

**V. Set Agenda for January 22, 2003 meeting, which will be held as follows:**

January 22, 2002  
4 PM to 5:30 PM  
Conference Room 6B, Exchange Building  
821 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave., Seattle, EA 98104

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